

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION UNDER RULE 53(d)

-FOR DESIGN APPLICATION OR FOR 1st CPA AFTER MAY 29, 2000 IN UTILITY APPLICATION FILED BEFORE MAY 29, 2000-

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(d), please file a

☒ continuation/☐ divisional  
of the pending prior PATENT APPLICATION of:

Inventor: DORAN et al

Serial No. 09/083,966

Filed: 26 May 1998

For: DISPERSION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR SOLITON OPTICAL TRANSMISSION  
SYSTEM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This request for filing under Rule 53(d) is made by the following named inventor(s) (using the above-identified title):

Inventor(s): DORAN et al

☐ Please delete the following inventors in the CPA:

Deleted persons:

☐ A new oath/declaration is attached for any newly named inventor(s).

☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number

9524203.8

PCT/GB96/02923

Country

Great Britain

Day/Month/Year Filed

27 November 1995

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27 November 1996

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☐ certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) attached OR

☒ already filed on August 3, 1998 in this appln

☐ already filed in \_\_\_\_\_ filed

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☒ Address all future communications to: Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 N. Glebe Road, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Arlington, VA 22201

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.

☐ Please enter the previously unentered Rule 116 amendment filed on

☒ The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner.

☐ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:

☒ Also attached: ☒ Information Disclosure Statement ; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Other:

**FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED**

Basic Filing Fee			\$	740.00
Total effective claims	29 - 20 (at least 20) =	9	x \$ 18.00	\$ 162.00
Independent claims	9 - 3 (at least 3) =	6	x \$ 84.00	\$ 504.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore if improper)			\$	0.00

Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) \$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; **\$920.00/3 months**

Less month extension previously paid on

**SUBTOTAL** \$ 2326.00

If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract

**SECOND SUBTOTAL** \$ 2326.00

Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)

**TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED** \$ 2326.00

Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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By Atty: Michael J. Shea, Reg. No. 34,725

Signature: Michael J. Shea

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February 25, 2002

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

As suggested by 37 C.F.R. 1.97, the undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449, a copy of each of which is enclosed. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists, or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), a fee of \$180.00 as specified in Rule 17(p) is attached. If there is any shortage in the fee, please charge the deposit account of Nixon & Vanderhye, Account No. 14-1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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